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#### **ESTATE TAX / INHERITANCE TAX**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The State of Michigan imposes an **estate tax** on the estates of persons who died **after September 30, 1993**. It is a tax on the value of a decedent's estate as determined by the Federal Estate Tax Act in effect on January 1, 1993. Estates of persons who died **before October 1, 1993** are subject to an **inheritance tax.** 

#### What is Estate Tax?

When estate taxes are paid to a state, the federal government allows a credit for that tax on federal form 706 UNITED STATES ESTATE (AND GENERATION-SKIPPING TRANSFER) TAX RETURN. Michigan's estate tax is equal to the maximum **allowable** federal credit for state death taxes paid. The Michigan estate tax return picks up the maximum allowable credit amount from federal form 706. The credit on the federal return becomes the estate tax due on the Michigan return. This is why the Michigan estate tax is referred to as a "pick-up tax."

For decedents dying in 2004, there is a change in the State Death Tax Credit as computed on the Federal Estate Tax Return. The credit will be reduced by 75% for these dates of death. For dates of death occurring in 2005 and after, the State Death Tax Credit will be eliminated. Contact the Internal Revenue Service for additional details.

Michigan has two estate tax returns: forms MI-706 and MI-706A. These forms are printed back-to-back on one sheet and are contained in the instruction booklet, form MI-706 MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX. They are also available as single sheets.

- Complete form MI-706 for estates of persons who were Michigan residents whose real and tangible personal property is all located in Michigan.
- Complete form MI-706A for estates of persons who were Michigan residents and who had real or tangible personal property located in another state, or estates of persons who were nonresidents who had real or tangible personal property located in Michigan. The MI-706A prorates the Michigan tax by dividing the gross estate into gross Michigan property or gross estate into gross non-Michigan property.

#### PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

A personal representative of an estate may be any one of the following:

1. A court-appointed personal representative, an executor, trustee, or administrator (including an independent personal representative), **or** 

- 2. If a personal representative is not appointed, every person who is in the actual or constructive possession of any property included in the gross estate of the decedent.
- 3. Any other person required to file federal form 706 or pay the estate tax due.

If the personal representative makes a distribution of any of the property subject to a transfer tax without paying the tax due or obtaining the necessary estate tax lien waiver for the real property, the personal representative will become personally liable for the tax, accrued penalties and interest.

#### FILING REQUIREMENTS

Act 277 of 1998 amended the Michigan Estate Tax Act to reflect the changes in the Federal Estate Tax Code. Under the new Federal Code, the exemption amount for filing a federal estate tax return has been increased to \$1 million for dates of death occurring in 2002 and 2003. For deaths in 2004 and after, the exemption amount for filing is \$1,500,000. Generally, an estate whose gross value is equal to or less than the exemption amount is not required to file form U.S. 706. (Contact the Internal Revenue Service for additional details.)

Year of Death	<u>Amount</u>
1997	\$ 600,000
1998	625,000
1999	650,000
2000	675,000
2001	675,000
2002, 2003	1,000,000
2004	1,500,000

A Michigan estate tax return must be filed if all of the following are true:

- Decedent died after September 30, 1993,
- Decedent was a Michigan resident or a nonresident with real or tangible personal property located in Michigan, and
- Federal form 706 was required.

Distributees and trustees of Generation-Skipping Transfers (GSTs) are required to pay a Michigan GST tax if federal form 706GS(D) GENERATION-SKIPPING TRANSFER TAX RETURN FOR DISTRIBUTIONS or federal form 706GS(T) GENERATION-SKIPPING TRANSFER FOR TERMINATIONS is required.

#### **DUE DATE**

An MI-706/MI-706A is due the same time the federal form 706 is due. The due date is nine months after the date of death.

The person liable for the payment of federal tax is personally liable for the Michigan tax to the same extent he or she is liable for the federal tax.

Penalty and interest will apply if the return or payment is late.

#### **EXTENSIONS**

There are two federal extensions:

- 1. Extension of time to file, and
- 2. Extension of time to pay.

The time to file a Michigan return is automatically extended if a federal extension of time to file has been approved. An extension of time to file does not extend the time to pay the tax due.

The time to pay the Michigan tax is automatically extended if a federal extension of time to pay has been approved; however, interest is charged for the period of the extension.

A copy of the approved federal extensions must be attached to the MI-706/MI-706A when the return is filed.

#### **RELEASE OF LIENS**

The Michigan estate tax is a lien on the gross value of the estate until the tax is paid in full. If personal property is sold, the lien attaches to the consideration received for the property. If **real estate** is being sold before the tax is paid, the personal representative must file form 2357 REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF THE MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX LIEN. The Michigan Department of Treasury will issue a lien release from all or part of the real property when one of the following conditions is met:

- 1. If any part of the real estate must be sold to pay claims against the estate or administration expenses
- 2. If Treasury believes no tax liability exists
- 3. If a lien has been recorded with the county where the property is located and the full amount of the lien has been paid
- 4. If the real property is sold before the due date of the return and 8 percent of the net cash proceeds is submitted to Treasury as an estimated tax payment

- 5. If the real property is sold after the due date of the return, and a payment is submitted to Treasury for the lessor of 16 percent of the net cash proceeds or the amount of tax shown due on the return
- 6. If an estimated payment has been made which Treasury finds is sufficient to cover the tax which will be due
- 7. If an estimated payment has been made which the probate court finds is sufficient to cover the tax which will be due
- 8. If the seller or mortgagor is a surviving joint tenant or tenant by the entireties.

Act 277 of 1998 amended the statute providing for the recording of the waiver of Michigan estate tax lien with the Register of Deeds.

Any estimated payments or partial payments should be attached to form 2527 MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX ESTIMATE VOUCHER. This form is a part of the form MI-706 MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX instruction booklet.

# RELEASING THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE FROM LIABILITY

The Michigan Department of Treasury holds the personal representative liable for the Michigan tax until one of the following occurs:

- 1. The personal representative files form 2356 REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF NO MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX LIABILITY. Only the personal representative can sign form 2356 certifying that a federal 706 is not required. This certificate will be accepted by the probate court after it has been validated by Treasury.
- 2. The personal representative submits a copy of the IRS closing letter and the IRS adjustments and requests a discharge of personal liability.

After the IRS closing letter is received, Treasury has one year to review the return and determine if any additional Michigan Tax is due. Treasury will issue a receipt and discharge of personal liability after the review is complete and any additional Michigan tax due is paid. This notice releases the personal representative from any personal liability if any additional tax is ever found to be due.

Act 277 of 1998 amended the Act to allow the recording of form 2619 with the Register of Deeds

#### **Other Information**

If you have questions relating to the estate tax, call (517) 636-4330 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday, or write to:

Estate Tax Section Michigan Department of Treasury Lansing, Michigan 48922

To order any Michigan form referred to in this chapter, call **1-800-827-4000**. This computerized forms message system is available 24 hours a day. Treasury will mail the forms to you.

All Michigan estate tax forms are now available on the Michigan Department of Treasury web site. Visit the site at www.michigan.gov/treasury.

Deaf, hearing or speech impaired persons using a Text Telephone/Teletypewriter (TTY) should call (517) 636-4999 for assistance.

#### **Differences Between Inheritance and Estate Taxes**

The comparison chart below highlights some of the major differences between the Michigan Inheritance Tax and the Michigan Estate Tax.

	<b>Inheritance Tax</b>	Estate Tax
Where to file and pay	Inheritance Tax Section, Michigan Department of Treasury, Lansing, MI 48922	Estate Tax Section, Michigan Department of Treasury, Lansing, MI 48922
How to pay	Use form C-6568 (Payment Notice) or pay with return	Use form C-6569 (Estimate Voucher) or pay with return
Interest	9% per year from due date, if extension is granted	1% above prime, due during period of extension
Due dates	105 days after date of death	9 months after date of death

	<b>Inheritance Tax</b>	Estate Tax
Extensions	Use Michigan forms C-6568 and C-6562 and Pay 50% within 105 days after date of death and Pay 75% within 9 months after date of death	Use U.S. Extension and Pay full amount before 9 months or Pay full amount when return is filed if extension of time to pay is granted by federal government
Credit Interest	None	1% above prime. Due later of 45 days:
		<ul><li>After due date of return or</li><li>Date return is received</li></ul>
Penalty	8% if 50% of the tax is not paid within 105 days and an extension is not granted and 5/25% if 75% of the tax has not been paid and an extension is not granted	5/25% if not paid in full by 9 months and a federal extension for time to pay has not been granted
Other	Life insurance proceeds to a named beneficiary - exempt	N/A - See federal
	Generally property trans- ferred more than 2 years before death is not taxed	N/A - See federal
	Date of death values only	N/A - See federal
	Real estate valuation	N/A - See federal

#### **REVENUE ADMINSTRATIVE BULLETIN**

# Revenue Administrative Bulletin 1999-12 Estate Tax Penalty and Waiver Provisions

This Bulletin was issued to explain who is responsible for filing and paying the Michigan Estate tax return, what penalties apply to the tax, and how the reasonable cause waiver standard is applied. Examples of reasonable cause for penalty waiver are also provided. (See Revenue Administrative Bulletin 1999-12 on Treasury's Web site at www.michigan.gov/treasury.)

# Michigan Estate Tax Return

Issued under authority of P.A. 54 of 1993. Filing is mandatory.

Complete this page if the decedent was a Michigan resident and all property was located in Michigan. Michigan residents with out-of-state property or nonresidents with property in Michigan, complete the other side.

This is an:	Amended	return			
▶ 1. Decedent's Name (first, middle initial, last)		▶ 2. De	cedent's Social Security N	lumber	
▶ 3. County of Probate		▶ 4. Dat	e of Death	5. Probat	te File Number
▶ 6. Name and Address of Personal Representative		7. Person	nal Representative's Soci	al Security Number	г
		8. Persoi	nal Representative's Tele	phone Number	
9. Total gross estate (U.S. 706)				9.	.00
<b>10.</b> Credit for state death taxes (U.S. 706)					.00
11. Enter amount of Michigan tax already paid,	if any			11	.00
<b>12.</b> TAX DUE. If line 10 is greater than line 11, Include interest and po				PAY ▶12.	.00
13. REFUND. If line 10 is less than line 11, sub	tract line 10 from	line 11 and	enter here REI	FUND ▶13	.00
CERTIFICATION					
I declare under penalty of perjury that the information in and complete to the best of my knowledge.	this return and attachi	ments is true	I declare under penalty of which I have knowled		return is based on all information
I authorize Treasury to discuss my return with my preparer.  Signature(s) of Personal Representative(s)	☐ Yes ☐ N	No	Preparer's Signature and	d Business Address	S
			Preparer's Daytime Tele	phone Number	Date

NOTE: When finished, attach a complete copy of Form 706, United States Estate (and Generation-Skipping Transfer) Tax Return,

including all schedules. Do not send originals, as items will not be returned.

MAIL TO: Estate Tax Section

Michigan Department of Treasury

Lansing, MI 48922

# Michigan Estate Tax Return - A

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Complete this page if the decedent was a Michigan resident with out-of-state property or a nonresident with property in Michigan. Michigan residents with property only in Michigan, complete the other side. See other side for mailing address.

<u> </u>	nded return		
▶ 1. Decedent's Name (first, middle initial, last)	▶ 2. Decedent's Social Secu	rity Number	
➤ 3. County of Probate	▶ 4. Date of Death	5. Probat	e File Number
<b>■ 6.</b> Name and Address of Personal Representative	7. Personal Representative's	Social Security Number	
	8. Personal Representative's	Telephone Number	
0. Tatal array autota (U.O. 700)			00
9. Total gross estate (U.S. 706)		9. <u>-</u>	)0. 00.
		10	.00
PART 1: MICHIGAN RESIDENTS WITH OUT-OF-S			
11. Gross value of real and tangible personal property loc			
12. Percent of out-of-state property. Divide line 11 by line	9.	12	90
<ol> <li>Percent of tax attributable to other states.</li> <li>Multiply line 10 by percentage on line 12.</li> </ol>	42	.00	
14. Enter amount of state estate taxes paid to other states		.00_	
(Attach proof of payment.)		.00	
15. Credit for estate taxes paid to another state. Enter the			.00
·			
16. MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX. Subtract line 15 from line 1	0	16	.00
PART 2: NON-RESIDENTS WITH MICHIGAN PRO	PERTY		
17. Gross value of real and tangible personal property loc	ated in Michigan.	17	.00
19. Percent of Michigan property Divide line 17 by line 0		40	%
18. Percent of Michigan property. Divide line 17 by line 9.		18	/(
19. MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX. Multiply line 10 by the percentage.	entage on line 18.	19	.00.
PART 3: REFUND OR TAX DUE			
20. Michigan residents with out-of-state property enter the	e amount from line 16.		
Non-residents enter the amount from line 19.		20	.00
21. Enter amount of Michigan tax already paid, if any		21	.00.
<b>22.</b> TAX DUE. If line 20 is greater than line 21, subtract line			0.0
Include interest and penalty	if applicable	PAY ▶ 22	.00
23. REFUND. If line 20 is less than line 21, subtract line 2	0 from line 21 and enter here <b>F</b>	REFUND ▶ 23	.00.
CERTIFICATION			
I declare under penalty of perjury that the information in this return and	d attachments is true	alty of periury that this n	eturn is based on all information
and complete to the best of my knowledge.	of which I have kno	wledge.	
I authorize Treasury to discuss my return with my preparer. Yes	No Preparer's Signature	e and Business Address	•
Signature(s) of Personal Representative(s)  Date			
	Preparer's Daytime	Telephone Number	Date

**NOTE:** When finished, attach a complete copy of Form 706, United States Estate (and Generation-Skipping Transfer) Tax Return, including all schedules. Do not send originals, as items will not be returned.

# Michigan Estate Tax Estimate Voucher

ssued under authority of P.A. 54 of 1993. Filing is voluntary.				
▶ 1. Decedent's Name (first, middle initial, last)	▶ 2. Decedent's Social Security	Number		
▶ 3. County of Probate	▶ 4. Date of Death	5. Probate File Number		
▶ 6. Name and Address of Personal Representative	7. Personal Representative's Soc	7. Personal Representative's Social Security Number		
	8. Personal Representative's Tele	ephone Number		
Enter amount of tax due	\$	.00		
Enter total penalty and interest	<u>\$</u>	.00.		
Total payment	<b>▶</b> <u>\$</u>	.00		
Write "Estate Tax," the decedent's name and the de Social Security number on the front of the check. M		t of Treasury		

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## Michigan Estate Tax Estimate Voucher

Issued under authority of P.A. 54 of 1993. Filing is voluntary.

▶ 1. Decedent's Name (first, middle initial, last)	▶ 2. Decedent's Social Security Number		
▶ 3. County of Probate	▶ 4. Date of Death	5. Probate File Number	
▶ 6. Name and Address of Personal Representative	7. Personal Representative's So	ocial Security Number	
	8. Personal Representative's Te	elephone Number	
Enter amount of tax due	\$	.00	
Enter total penalty and interest	<u>\$</u>	.00	
Fatal a sum and	<b>&gt;</b> ¢	00	

Write "Estate Tax," the decedent's name and the decedent's

Social Security number on the front of the check. Mail to: Estate Tax Section

**Michigan Department of Treasury** 

Lansing, MI 48922

# Request for Certificate of No Michigan Estate Tax Liability

. Decedent's Name (first, middle initial, last)	Decedent's Social Security No.		
. County of Probate	4. Date of Death	5. Probate File No.	
Name and Address of Personal Representative	7. Personal Representati	ve's Social Security No.	
	8. Personal Representati	ve's Telephone No.	
No			
	1	10	
		0	
O. Enter the total value of the gross estate  You must determine the actual value based on the IRS representation before filing this form. Do not estimate this amount.		0.	
O. Enter the total value of the gross estate  You must determine the actual value based on the IRS r	ules for estate tax	0.	
O. Enter the total value of the gross estate  You must determine the actual value based on the IRS r before filing this form. Do not estimate this amount.  EERTIFICATION	ules for estate tax is true and complete.	0.	
D. Enter the total value of the gross estate  You must determine the actual value based on the IRS repetition before filing this form. Do not estimate this amount.  ERTIFICATION  I declare, under penalty of perjury, that this information  I authorize Treasury to discuss my return with my preparation	ules for estate tax is true and complete.	0.	
O. Enter the total value of the gross estate  You must determine the actual value based on the IRS repeters before filing this form. Do not estimate this amount.  ERTIFICATION  I declare, under penalty of perjury, that this information  I authorize Treasury to discuss my return with my prepate to mail this waiver to my preparer or other designee.	ules for estate tax is true and complete.	0.	
O. Enter the total value of the gross estate  You must determine the actual value based on the IRS response filing this form. Do not estimate this amount.  ERTIFICATION  I declare, under penalty of perjury, that this information  I authorize Treasury to discuss my return with my prepared to mail this waiver to my preparer or other designee.  Do not discuss my return with my preparer.	is true and complete. arer and  MAIL TO: Estate Tax		

THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE IS PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR ANY TAX DUE IF IT IS LATER DETERMINED THAT MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX WAS DUE.

# Request for Waiver of the Michigan Estate Tax Lien

Issued under authority of P.A. 54 of 1993.

If a Federal 706 was not required, do not file this form. File a Certificate of No Michigan Estate Tax Liability (Form 2356).

Decedent's Name (first, middle initial, last)	Decedent's Social Security No.		
3. County of Probate	4. Date of Death	5. Probate File No.	
Name and Address of Personal Representative	7. Personal Representative	e's Social Security No.	
	8. Personal Representative	s's Telephone No.	
9REASON FOR WAIVER. Enter correct number from	back of form. Attach sup	porting documentation.	
<ol> <li>LEGAL DESCRIPTION of real property (including common ad Attach an additional sheet, if necessary.</li> </ol>	ommon address and Sidwell number, if available).		
CERTIFICATION: I declare, under penalty of perjury, that this		•	
I authorize Treasury to discuss my return with my preparer and to mail this waiver to my preparer or other designee.	Do not discuss m	y return with my preparer.	
Personal Representative's Signature	Date		
Preparer or Designee's Address	l		

#### **PROBLEM**

#### **ESTATE TAX**

Prepare form 2357 REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF THE MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX LIEN and form MI-706A MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX RETURN based on the following selected schedules from federal form 706 and the additional facts below.

- 1. The decedent was in the process of selling his house in Michigan and had accepted a purchaser's offer of \$300,000. The decedent, however, passed away one week before the closing. The purchaser has required the decedent's estate to provide form 3413 WAIVER OF THE MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX LIEN, since a lien becomes an automatic incumbrance on a decedent's real estate upon his or her death.
- 2. The expenses relating to the real estate sale are as follows:

Sales commissions	\$15,000
Transfer taxes	1,500
Title insurance fees	250

- 3. The estate elects to prepare form 2357 according to Reason Code 4.
- 4. Estate taxes of \$6,500 were paid to the state of Florida.

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

# United States Estate (and Generation-Skipping Transfer) Tax Return

Estate of a citizen or resident of the United States (see separate instructions).

To be filed for decedents dying after December 31, 2002, and before January 1, 2004.

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

OMB No. 1545-0015

	1a	Decedent's first name and middle initial (and maiden name, if any)	Ib Decedent's last name	2 Decedent's Social Security No.
ţo				
Executor	3a	Legal residence (domicile) at time of death (county, state, and ZIP code, or foreign country)	3b Year domicile established 4 Date of birth	5 Date of death
Part 1.—Decedent and	6a	Name of executor (see page 3 of the instructions) 6	Executor's address (number and street includ route; city, town, or post office; state; and ZIF	
ecede	6с	Executor's social security number (see page 3 of the instructions)		
1	7a	Name and location of court where will was probated or estate admi	inistered	7b Case number
art	8	If decedent died testate, check here ▶ □ and attach a certi	fied copy of the will. 9 If Form 4768 is at	tached, check here ▶
а.	10	If Schedule R-1 is attached, check here ▶		
	1	Total gross estate less exclusion (from Part 5, Recapitulation	on page 3 item 12)	1
	2	Total allowable deductions (from Part 5, Recapitulation, page	,	2
	3	Taxable estate (subtract line 2 from line 1)		3
	4	Adjusted taxable gifts (total taxable gifts (within the meanin after December 31, 1976, other than gifts that are includible in		4
	5			5
	6	Tentative tax on the amount on line 5 from Table A on pag		6
	"			
	7	Total gift tax payable with respect to gifts made by the dece	,	
		taxes by the decedent's spouse for such spouse's share of s was the donor of these gifts and they are includible in the		7
	8	Gross estate tax (subtract line 7 from line 6)		8
	9	Maximum unified credit (applicable credit amount) against (	1 - 1	
⊑		, ,		
Computation	10	Adjustment to unified credit (applicable credit amount). (This may not exceed \$6,000. See page 5 of the instructions.).	10	
g.	11	Allowable unified credit (applicable credit amount) (subtract	,	11 12
ပိ	12	Subtract line 11 from line 8 (but do not enter less than zero	0)	12
Part 2.—Tax	13	Credit for state death taxes (cannot exceed line 12). <b>Attach</b> the credit by using the amount on line 3 less \$60,000. See Enter the amount here from Table B ►	Table B in the instructions.	13
Ĭ	14	Subtract line 13 from line 12		14
Ъ	15	Credit for Federal gift taxes on pre-1977 gifts (section 20		
	13	computation)	15	
	16	Credit for foreign death taxes (from Schedule(s) P). (Attach Form(s) 706-CE.)	16	
	17	Credit for tax on prior transfers (from Schedule Q)	17	
	18	Total (add lines 15, 16, and 17)		18
	19	Net estate tax (subtract line 18 from line 14)		19
	20	Generation-skipping transfer taxes (from Schedule R, Part 2		20
	21	Total transfer taxes (add lines 19 and 20)	1 1	21
	22	Prior payments. Explain in an attached statement		
	23	United States Treasury bonds redeemed in payment of esta		24
	24 25	Total (add lines 22 and 23)		25
Und it is	er per	nalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer other than the executor	accompanying schedules and statements, and to	the best of my knowledge and belief
Sigi	nature	e(s) of executor(s)		Date
Sia	natur	e of preparer other than executor	Address (and ZIP code)	 Date

## Part 4—General Information (continued)

Plea	se check the "Yes" or "No" box	c for each question.	Yes	No
7a	Have Federal gift tax returns evel ff "Yes," please attach copies o	er been filed?		
7b	Period(s) covered	7c Internal Revenue office(s) where filed		
If yo	u answer "Yes" to any of quest	tions 8–16, you must attach additional information as described in the instructions.		
8a	Was there any insurance on the	decedent's life that is not included on the return as part of the gross estate?		
b	Did the decedent own any insur	rance on the life of another that is not included in the gross estate?		
9	of the other joint tenants was se	death own any property as a joint tenant with right of survivorship in which <b>(a)</b> one or more omeone other than the decedent's spouse, and <b>(b)</b> less than the full value of the property is of the gross estate? If "Yes," you must complete and attach Schedule E		
10	Did the decedent, at the time of or closely held corporation?	death, own any interest in a partnership or unincorporated business or any stock in an inactive		
11		ansfer described in section 2035, 2036, 2037, or 2038 (see the instructions for Schedule G parate instructions)? If "Yes," you must complete and attach Schedule G		
	Were there in existence at the t Any trusts created by the deced	ime of the decedent's death:		
13	Did the decedent ever possess, exer	rcise, or release any general power of appointment? If "Yes," you must complete and attach Schedule H		
14	·	d under the transitional rule of Public Law 97-34, section 403(e)(3) (Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981)? putation of the marital deduction, enter the amount on item 20 of the Recapitulation, and note led."		
15	,	before death, receiving an annuity described in the "General" paragraph of the instructions ust complete and attach Schedule I		
16		eficiary of a trust for which a deduction was claimed by the estate of a pre-deceased spouse nich is not reported on this return? If "Yes," attach an explanation.		

### Part 5—Recapitulation

Item number	Gross estate	Gross estate Alternate value				death
1	Schedule A—Real Estate	1				
2	Schedule B—Stocks and Bonds	2				
3	Schedule C—Mortgages, Notes, and Cash	3				
4	Schedule D—Insurance on the Decedent's Life (attach Form(s) 712)	4				
5	Schedule E—Jointly Owned Property (attach Form(s) 712 for life insurance) .	5				
6	Schedule F—Other Miscellaneous Property (attach Form(s) 712 for life insurance)	6				
7	Schedule G—Transfers During Decedent's Life (att. Form(s) 712 for life insurance)	7				
8	Schedule H—Powers of Appointment	8				
9	Schedule I—Annuities	9				
10	Total gross estate (add items 1 through 9)	10				
11	Schedule U—Qualified Conservation Easement Exclusion	11				
12	Total gross estate less exclusion (subtract item 11 from item 10). Enter here and on line 1 of Part 2—Tax Computation	12				
Item number	Deductions				Amount	
13	Schedule J—Funeral Expenses and Expenses Incurred in Administering Property Sub	ject to	Claims	13		
14	Schedule K—Debts of the Decedent			14		
15	Schedule K—Mortgages and Liens			15		
16	Total of items 13 through 15			16		
17	Allowable amount of deductions from item 16 (see the instructions for item 17 of the Recapitulation).					
18	Schedule L—Net Losses During Administration					
19	Schedule L—Expenses Incurred in Administering Property Not Subject to Claims					
20	Schedule M—Bequests, etc., to Surviving Spouse			20		
21	Schedule O—Charitable, Public, and Similar Gifts and Bequests			21		
22	Schedule T—Qualified Family-Owned Business Interest Deduction			22		
	Total allowable deductions (add items 17 through 22). Enter here and on line 2 of the Tax Computation					

#### Estate of:

#### **SCHEDULE A—Real Estate**

- For jointly owned property that must be disclosed on Schedule E, see the instructions on the reverse side of Schedule E.
- Real estate that is part of a sole proprietorship should be shown on Schedule F.
- Real estate that is included in the gross estate under section 2035, 2036, 2037, or 2038 should be shown on Schedule G.
- Real estate that is included in the gross estate under section 2041 should be shown on Schedule H.
- If you elect section 2032A valuation, you must complete Schedule A and Schedule A-1.

Item number	Description	Alternate valuation date	Alternate value	Value at date of death
1				
Tota	al from continuation schedules or additional sheets attached to this sch	edule		
TO	TAL. (Also enter on Part 5, Recapitulation, page 3, at item 1.)			

(If more space is needed, attach the continuation schedule from the end of this package or additional sheets of the same size.) (See the instructions on the reverse side.)

#### Estate of:

<b>SCHEDULE K-</b>	-Debts o	f the	Decedent,	and	<b>Mortgages</b>	and I	Liens
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Item number	Debts of the Decedent—Creditor and nature of claim, and allowable death taxes	Amount unpaid to date	Amount in contest	Amount claimed as a deduction		
1						
Tota	from continuation schedules (or additional sheets) attached t	o this schedule	<u> </u>			
тот	AL. (Also enter on Part 5, Recapitulation, page 3, at item 14.)					
Item number	Mortgages and Liens—Descri	ption		Amount		
1						
Total from continuation schedules (or additional sheets) attached to this schedule						
TOTAL. (Also enter on Part 5, Recapitulation, page 3, at item 15.)						

# ESTATE TAX SOLUTION

# Request for Waiver of the Michigan Estate Tax Lien

Issued under authority of P.A. 54 of 1993.

If a Federal 706 was not required, do not file this form. File a Certificate of No Michigan Estate Tax Liability (Form 2356).

Decedent's Name (first, middle initial, last)	Decedent's Social Security No.		
3. County of Probate	4. Date of Death	5. Probate File No.	
Name and Address of Personal Representative	7. Personal Representative	e's Social Security No.	
	8. Personal Representative	e's Telephone No.	
9REASON FOR WAIVER. Enter correct number from	back of form. Attach sup	porting documentation.	
<ol> <li>LEGAL DESCRIPTION of real property (including common ad Attach an additional sheet, if necessary.</li> </ol>	ldress and Sidwell number	r, if available).	
CERTIFICATION: I declare, under penalty of perjury, that this		•	
I authorize Treasury to discuss my return with my preparer and to mail this waiver to my preparer or other designee.	Do not discuss m	y return with my preparer.	
Personal Representative's Signature	Date		
Preparer or Designee's Address			

# Instructions for Form 2357, Waiver of the Michigan Estate Tax Lien

The Michigan estate tax is a lien on the gross estate until the tax is paid in full. If real estate is being transferred before the tax is paid, a waiver of the Michigan estate tax lien must be requested.

Complete the front of this form. Enter the **reason code** from the list below on line 10. Attach copies of required documents to this form.

If a payment is required, complete the *Michigan Estate Tax Estimate Voucher* (Form 2527). Send the payment, the estimate voucher and this waiver request to:

# Estate Tax Section Michigan Department of Treasury Lansing, MI 48922

#### Reason Code

- 1 Part of the real estate must be sold to pay claims against the estate or administration expenses. This waiver may be honored even if other assets are available. Send an itemized list of the debts of the decedent and expenses which will be paid from the proceeds of the estate.
- 2 No tax liability exists, or the liability has been fully discharged or provided for. Send a copy of a financial statement of all probate and non-probate assets and liabilities.
- 3 A lien has been recorded with the county where the property is located and the full amount of the lien has been paid or is enclosed.
- The real property was sold before the due date of the estate tax return, including extensions. Payment equal to 8 percent of net cash proceeds is enclosed. Complete the Net Cash Proceeds Worksheet below. If you use this reason code, include a copy of the purchase agreement.

#### Reason Code

- 5 The real property was sold after the due date of the return, including extensions, and a payment is enclosed with this waiver request for the lesser of:
  - 16 percent of the net cash proceeds (complete the worksheet below), or
  - · the amount of tax shown due on the return.

If you use this reason code, include a copy of the purchase agreement.

- 6 An estimated payment equal to the estate tax due is enclosed. Send a detailed schedule showing the value of the estate and the estimated tax due.
- 7 An estimated payment equal to the tax shown on the enclosed probate court order is enclosed.
- 8 The seller or mortgagor is a surviving joint tenant or tenant by the entireties. Send a copy of the deed or other legal document showing ownership.

#### **Net Cash Proceeds WORKSHEET**

If you are requesting a waiver based on reason code 4 or 5,	complete this wo	orksheet and include it with	your request.
1. Gross sales price (including land contracts accepted as page 1)	art of sales proce	eeds) 1	.00
TOTAL EXPENSES TO BE PAID BY THE SELLER OR MO	RTGAGOR		
2. Sales commissions	2	.00.	
3. Encumbrances and liens at the date of death, including interest to the date of closing.	3	.00	
4. Transfer taxes	4	.00.	
Title insurance premiums and fees paid to the title insurance company	5	.00	
6. Total expenses. Add lines 2 through 5		6. <u> </u>	.00
7. Net cash proceeds. Subtract line 6 from line 1		7. <u></u>	.00

# Michigan Estate Tax Estimate Voucher

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▶ 4. Date of Death	
4. Date of Death	5. Probate File Number
7. Personal Representative's Social	Security Number
Personal Representative's Teleph	one Number
\$	.00
\$	.00.
▶ \$	.00.
Estate Tax Section Michigan Department (	of Treasury
	7. Personal Representative's Social  8. Personal Representative's Teleph  \$ \$ \$  Estate Tax Section Michigan Department of Lansing, MI 48922

Michigan Department of Treasury 2527 (12-98)

## Michigan Estate Tax Estimate Voucher

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▶ 1. Decedent's Name (first, middle initial, last)	▶ 2. Decedent's Social Security Number	2. Decedent's Social Security Number		
▶ 3. County of Probate	▶ 4. Date of Death 5.	Probate File Number		
▶ 6. Name and Address of Personal Representative	7. Personal Representative's Social Security N	lumber		
	8. Personal Representative's Telephone Num	ber		
Enter amount of tay due	<u> </u>	.00		
Enter amount of tax due Enter total penalty and interest	 \$	.00		
	<b>.</b>			
Total payment	<b>&gt;</b> \$	.00		

Write "Estate Tax," the decedent's name and the decedent's

Social Security number on the front of the check. Mail to: Estate Tax Section

**Michigan Department of Treasury** 

Lansing, MI 48922

# Michigan Estate Tax Return - A

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Complete this page if the decedent was a Michigan resident with out-of-state property or a nonresident with property in Michigan. Michigan residents with property only in Michigan, complete the other side. See other side for mailing address.

<u> </u>	nded return		
▶ 1. Decedent's Name (first, middle initial, last)	▶ 2. Decedent's Social Secur	rity Number	
▶ 3. County of Probate	▶ 4. Date of Death	5. Probat	e File Number
▶ 6. Name and Address of Personal Representative	7. Personal Representative's	Social Security Number	
	8. Personal Representative's	Telephone Number	
0. Total grass actato (U.S. 706)		0	.00
9. Total gross estate (U.S. 706)  10. Credit for state death taxes. (U.S. 706)		 ▶ 10.	
PART 1: MICHIGAN RESIDENTS WITH OUT-OF-			
11. Gross value of real and tangible personal property loc		11	.00
12. Percent of out-of-state property. Divide line 11 by line			
13. Percent of tax attributable to other states.			
Multiply line 10 by percentage on line 12.		.00_	
14. Enter amount of state estate taxes paid to other state		00	
(Attach proof of payment.)			.00
15. Credit for estate taxes paid to another state. Enter the	e smaller of line 13 or line 14.	15	.00
16. MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX. Subtract line 15 from line	10	16	.00
PART 2: NON-RESIDENTS WITH MICHIGAN PRO	OPERTY		
17. Gross value of real and tangible personal property lo	cated in Michigan.	17	.00
18. Percent of Michigan property. Divide line 17 by line 9.	·	18	%
19. MICHIGAN ESTATE TAX. Multiply line 10 by the perc	centage on line 18.	19	.00
PART 3: REFUND OR TAX DUE			
20. Michigan residents with out-of-state property enter the	e amount from line 16.		
Non-residents enter the amount from line 19.		20	.00.
21 Enter amount of Michigan tay already paid if any		21	.00
21. Enter amount of Michigan tax already paid, if any  22. TAX DUE. If line 20 is greater than line 21, subtract li	ne 21 from line 20 and enter here.	21	.00
Include interest and penalty		PAY ▶ 22	.00.
23. REFUND. If line 20 is less than line 21, subtract line 2	20 from line 21 and enter here <b>R</b>	REFUND ▶ 23	.00
CERTIFICATION			
I declare under penalty of perjury that the information in this return an and complete to the best of my knowledge.	nd attachments is true I declare under pendof which I have known		eturn is based on all information
I authorize Treasury to discuss my return with my preparer. Yes	Proparer's Signature	e and Business Address	3
Signature(s) of Personal Representative(s)  Date			
	Preparer's Daytime	Telephone Number	Date
		-	
			1

**NOTE:** When finished, attach a complete copy of Form 706, United States Estate (and Generation-Skipping Transfer) Tax Return, including all schedules. Do not send originals, as items will not be returned.

#### **Explanation of Solution**

Even though the Florida real estate has a \$45,000 mortgage, it is ignored when determining the percent of out-of-state property for Michigan residents. Non-residents will also ignore incumbrances on Michigan property when determining the percentage of Michigan property in the gross estate.

Statement 2.	Net cash proceeds	\$208,250 <u>x.08</u>
	Amount remitted with	\$16,660